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DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-12 are pending in the instant application.

Response to Amendment

2. The reply filed on July 7, 2008 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant did not comply with the election of species requirement. Applicant is required to identify the claims readable on the elected species (restriction requirement dated February 1, 2008 – pg. 2). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

 Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sun Jae Y. Loewe whose telephone number is (571) 272-9074.
The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30-5:00 Est.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph McKane can be reached on (571)272-0699. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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